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Mr. John N. McMahon Deputy Director for Intelligence Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. McMahon:

- (C) Thank you for providing me a copy of the HUMINT Committee Working Group Report on Biographic Reporting. Unfortunately, I have serious reservations with the committee's recommendations regarding the merger of the CIA and DIA biographic effort. Taking everything into consideration, I feel strongly that a merger of this nature would not be in the best interests of our different sets of consumers. Further, I believe such a merger would seriously degrade our political-military and biographic analytical efforts since we work both subjects in a joint fashion.
- (C) DIA has always treated biographics on a regional basis. Our managers have made a conscious effort to integrate our biographic analysts into regional political-military sections. As such, they are collocated with the political-military sections throughout the Research Directorate and address information we feel critical to our overall country/region assessments. Their removal would seriously degrade our political-military analytical capability across the board.
- (U) Hope this gives you a better understanding of the rationale behind my desires to continue to keep separate the CIA and DIA biographic efforts.

Sincerely,

JAMES A. WILLIAMS

Lieutenant General, U.S. Army

Director

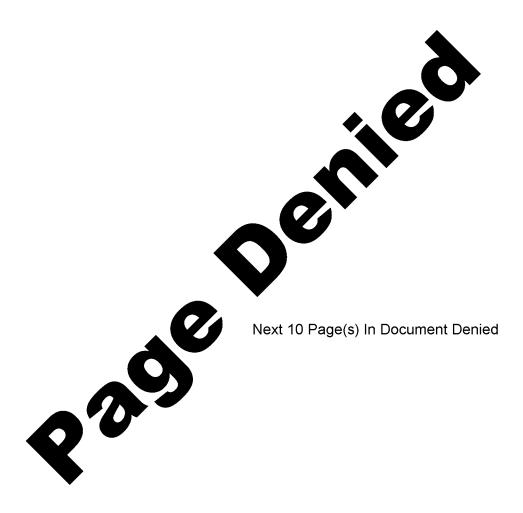
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